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Honorable Charles Wilson
House of Representatives
2256 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Dear Congressman Wilson:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Billy W. Rose, Mayor, City of Woodville, Texas. Your constituent is concerned about recent rate increases by Cencom Cable Television.

The Commission has a clear understanding that Congress adopted the Cable Act of 1992 to constrain unreasonable cable rates. The Commission is in the process of formulating rules implementing the rate provisions of the law and is seeking public comment on those provisions that address rate rollbacks, refunds, and evasions of statutory requirements. The Commission will attempt to implement these provisions faithfully, and will consider the conduct of the cable industry during the interim period in deciding what kind of regulation is needed.

Your constituent's letter will be placed in the record of this proceeding so that the Commission can be mindful of his concerns during its deliberations. I trust that the foregoing and the enclosures are informative.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Stewart

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Chief, Mass Media Bureau

Enclosures

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CHARLES WILSON
2d DISTRICT, TEXAS

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4302

February 1, 1993

The Honorable Alfred C. Sikes
Chairman, Federal
Communications Commission
1919 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Sikes:

Copies of two letters -- one from the Mayor of
Woodville Texas to my office and another from the Mayor
to the local cable television provider in Woodville --

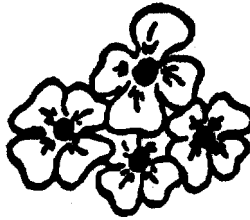
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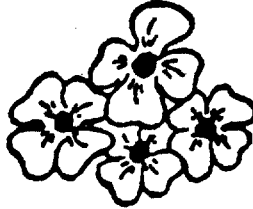
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U.S. Rep. Charles Wilson
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December 23, 1992

Fred Knowles, System Manager
Cencom Cable Television
122 N. Austin
Jasper, Texas 75951

Dear Mr. Knowles:

On December 7, 1992, the Woodville City Council met in a special called meeting and discussed the rate increase of Cencom Cable to their Woodville customers. It is the opinion of the Woodville City Council that this rate increase is totally unjustified. It is also the opinion of the Council that Cencom Cable would not have been allowed to renew their franchise agreement if the council had know the company was going to increase rates almost \$4.00 in eight (8) months.

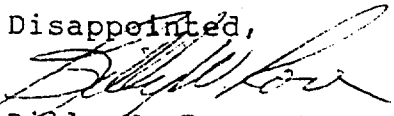
Your cable reception is very poor. Channel #8, 10 and 11 fade out and in. Also channel #19 has satelite data on the screen refering to a transponder. Channel #7 had no audio for a full week and YOU are RAISING RATES AGAIN!

You state that expenditures caused your rates to increase. If your expenditures caused this, you must have spent it in an area that did not improve service.

A copy of this letter will be sent to all three (3) elected officials from our area (Lloyd Bentson, Phil Gramm and Charles Wilson).

I cannot state the disappointment that I have with your company strongly enough. Why? Why? Why? Your commitment to good service is very poor.

Disappointed,


Billy W. Rose, Mayor

cc: Lloyd Bentson, Phil Gramm and Charles Wilson

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